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Mission and Impact

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR U.S. Scholars

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- **Scholar Awards**, the broadest category, include opportunities available to scholars at all stages in their career and in all disciplines, and to established professionals and artists.
- **Distinguished Scholar Awards** recognize accomplished scholars with outstanding teaching and research experience.
- **Postdoctoral and Early Career Awards** allow scholars to acquire new skills, grow expertise, and connect with peers early in their career.
- **Fulbright Public Policy Fellowships (FPPF)** provide opportunities for early and mid-career public policy professionals to serve in a partner foreign government ministry or institution.
- **Flex Awards**, offered as an option within many Fulbright U.S. Scholar opportunities, allow scholars to divide their grant into multiple, short-term stays in the host country over a period of one to two years. (See award descriptions for availability.)

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Visit fulbrightscholars.org/iea for details, including eligibility requirements and application deadlines, which can vary by country.



OPPORTUNITIES TO Host Visiting Scholars

If you are not applying to become a Fulbrighter yourself, the Fulbright Program also offers myriad opportunities for U.S. universities to host visiting scholars from around the world. Hosting a Fulbright Visiting Scholar—eminently qualified individuals who teach, research, lecture, and contribute their unique perspectives—can enhance your campus community.

Fulbright Visiting Scholar Program

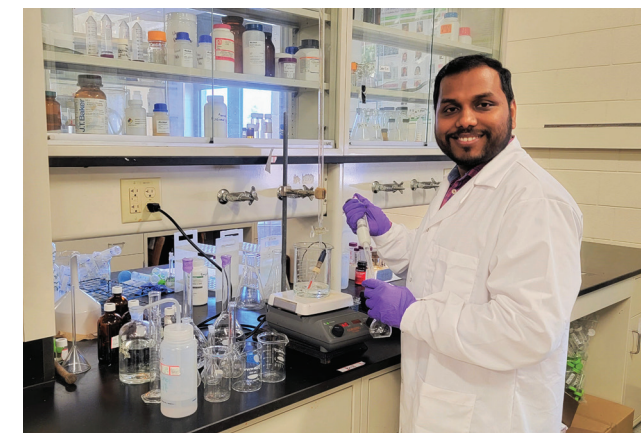
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Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence Program

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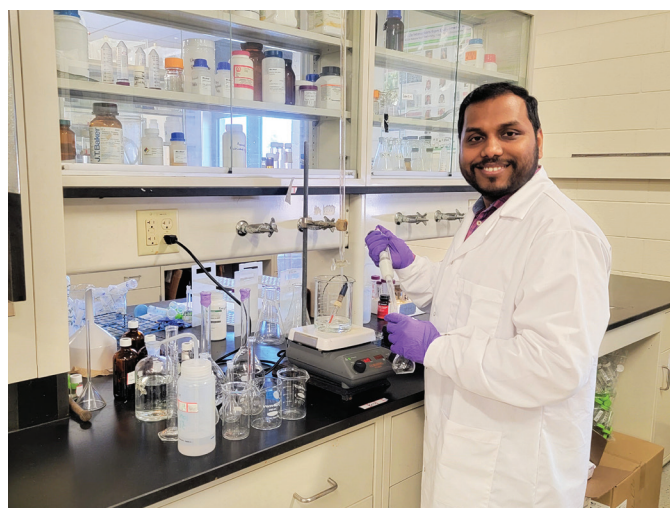
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Opportunities to Host Visiting Fulbrighters

For more than 75 years, the Fulbright Program has provided higher education institutions across the United States with opportunities to reinforce campus internationalization strategies, build global networks, launch professional collaborations, and share culture and values. Fulbright participants conduct cutting-edge research and unique teaching skills and bring fresh perspectives that benefit campuses and communities as they engage in a complex and changing world.

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Fulbright Outreach Lecturing Fund (OLF)

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Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistant (FLTA) Program

U.S. institutions of higher education may apply to host foreign language teaching assistants to support foreign language instruction on campus and enhance students' understanding of other cultures. Approximately 400 FLTAs teach over 30 languages on campuses across the country.

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Scholar-in-Residence Program

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Internationalizing U.S. Campuses, Curriculum, and Communities

Through the Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence (S-I-R) Program, U.S. colleges and universities collaborate with scholars from other countries to assist in internationalizing U.S. campuses, curricula, and communities.

Fulbright S-I-Rs teach courses or guest lecture on topics in their areas of expertise and provide a cross-cultural or international perspective to promote curricula and program development. Their activities enhance the institution's international/global studies programs, assist in the development of interdisciplinary program offerings, and broaden international cooperation. In addition, Fulbright S-I-Rs are expected to engage in various activities across campus and in the local community.

U.S. colleges and universities apply through the Institute of International Education (IIE) to host a Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence for either one semester or an academic year. The Scholar can be in most academic disciplines, provided that the courses taught offer an international perspective. Institutions can propose a specific candidate by name, or IIE can work with U.S. Embassies and Fulbright Commissions abroad to recruit a scholar whose background and qualifications are appropriate for the proposed activities.



Ben Ayettey (center), Fulbright Scholar from Ghana, leading a dance workshop at UC Irvine

ELIGIBILITY

Any accredited U.S. institution of higher education is eligible to apply. Institutions with limited on-campus international opportunities and/or serving diverse student populations are encouraged to apply.

AWARD BENEFITS





Grant benefits for the Fulbright S-I-R include: round-trip international air travel, a monthly stipend, an allowance for up to two dependents, and initial settling-in and professional allowances and a local activity allowance.

Host institutions are encouraged, but not required, to provide some in-kind support and/or cost-sharing for the scholar, such as housing, meals, and transportation, to enhance the scholar's experience.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

2025-2026 Academic Year **June 3, 2024**

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The Outreach Lecturing Fund (OLF) is an opportunity for U.S. higher education institutions to host Fulbright Visiting Scholars already in the United States, for short-term speaking engagements. Institutions apply to host a scholar for 2 to 5 days, and plan activities that would enhance campus participation in international educational exchange.

Responsibilities of Host Institutions and Organizations

Institutions wishing to invite a Fulbright Visiting Scholar for an Outreach Lecturing Fund visit should develop a comprehensive plan of activities and arrangements to share with the scholar well in advance of the proposed visit. OLF travel awards are intended to cover the scholar's overall travel costs for the duration of OLF activities. It is appreciated, but not required, when OLF host institutions can provide lodging and local transportation for the duration of the proposed OLF program. Eligibility for participation is based on institutional profile. Minority serving institutions, liberal arts colleges, women's colleges, art schools, community colleges, and rural institutions are automatically eligible, although any institution may participate by partnering with one of the aforementioned institutional types. Additionally, special consideration is also given to any campuses that have not previously participated in Fulbright exchanges as well as institutions in U.S. states that have not recently benefitted from the OLF program.

How U.S. Institutions Can Use OLF Visits

Alvernia University (PA) hosted a Fulbright Visiting Scholar from Brazil whose primary host institution was the University of Iowa. The scholar spoke on the topic of "Hidden Dialogues Between Two Americas" to students and faculty.

Florida International University (FL) partnered with Brownsville Community Garden to host a Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence from Burkina Faso. The scholar provided multiple lectures and dance performances promoting Diversity and Peace. These lectures included the following topics: "Diversity Deepens our Connections to Each Other" and "Diversity Nourishes Peace." The scholar's primary host was Naugatuck Valley Community College in Connecticut.

South Carolina State University (SC) hosted a Fulbright Scholar-In-Residence from Indonesia to conduct an interactive lecture-recital of Javanese Gamelan music. The scholar's primary host institution was Earlham College in Indiana.

Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute (NM) hosted a Fulbright Visiting Scholar from India who lectured on gender and cultural issues in India and screened the documentary *XXWhy: A Transgender Story*.

Wartburg College (IA) partnered with **Hawkeye Community College (IA)** and **Waverly Shell-Rock High School (IA)** to host a Costa Rican Scholar to conduct multiple lectures on the Role of Language as a Vehicle for Learning Culture and Defining Identity and the Importance of Becoming a Global Citizen. The scholar also spoke to multiple ESL departments and Spanish classes about the importance of foreign language learning.

Western Nevada College (NV) hosted a Fulbright Visiting Scholar from Tunisia who lectured on agriculture and drought conditions in arid regions. Her primary host was the United States Department of Agriculture.




OLF VISITS

Through the Outreach Lecturing Fund, you can invite a Fulbright Visiting Scholar to:

- Offer department or institution-wide lectures to students and/or faculty
- Speak on the history and culture of their country
- Meet with faculty to exchange ideas and engage in informal discussions with students
- Engage the wider community around your campus in the Fulbright Program

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International Education Administrators Awards

Build your institution's capacity for international education, gain a cross-cultural perspective, and open doors to collaboration with colleagues and student throughout the world by participating in a Fulbright International Education Administrators (IEA) award.

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Immerse Yourself in Another Higher Education System

Participants build their network, make connections, and develop new perspectives to further international engagement at their own institutions. Fulbright covers all travel and accommodation costs and arranges the group's itinerary. Activities include:

- Campus visits to a wide range of universities and colleges
- Briefings from faculty and administration at public and private higher education institutions as well as from leading educational experts and government officials
- Tours of historical and cultural sites



Fulbright Taiwan IEA Award Alums, 2023

▶ "My experience as a Fulbright IEA participant was outstanding. I made important gains in my professional research and networking as well as having the personal transformation of learning about a new culture."

KATI BELL

Director of Global Education, Dominican University of California
Fulbright India IEA Alum

LEARN MORE

Visit fulbrightscholars.org/iea for details including:


- Eligibility
- Application Requirements and Instructions
- Review Process and Criteria
- Award Timeline
- Application Deadlines and Award Dates (dates vary by award)


ELIGIBILITY

While each award will have specific eligibility requirements, opportunities are available for:

- Study abroad advisors, advisors and admissions officers for foreign students
- Deans, vice presidents, presidents, provosts, and directors
- Career services, alumni affairs, and development officers

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FULBRIGHT INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION ADMINISTRATORS AWARDS

HBCU IEA PROGRAM TO FRANCE AND SENEGAL

- Up to 12 grants; held in spring
- Open to international education administrators such as foreign student advisors, study abroad advisors, and foreign student admissions officers, or senior-level administrators, such as deans, vice presidents, provosts, and presidents
- **Application deadline: September 16**

Karen Jones, IEA France Alum, 2022



TAIWAN

- Up to 12 grants; held in March
- Open to study abroad advisors or senior-level university administrators such as directors, deans, vice presidents, provosts, and presidents
- **Application deadline: September 16**

FRANCE

- Up to 12 grants; held in October
- Open to senior-level university administrators such as deans, directors, vice presidents, provosts, and presidents
- **Application deadline: February 3**

Parinaz Zartoshy, IEA Japan Alum, 2018



KOREA

- Approximately 8 grants; held in June
- Open to experienced international education administrators such as foreign student advisors, study abroad advisors, and international student office directors
- **Application deadline: November 1**

GERMANY

- Up to 15 grants; held in October
- Open to experienced administrators in student or faculty exchanges, foreign student admissions and advising, study abroad programs, international education exchange services, career services, alumni affairs, and development and fundraising
- **Application deadline: February 3**

Fulbright Germany IEA Award Alums, 2016



JAPAN

- Approximately 10 grants; held in June
- Open to international education administrators such as foreign student advisors, study abroad advisors, and foreign student admissions officers, or senior-level administrators, such as deans, vice presidents, provosts, and presidents
- **Application deadline: November 1**

INDIA

- Approximately 10 grants; held in March
- Open to international education administrators such as foreign student advisors, study abroad advisors, and foreign student admissions officers, or senior-level administrators, such as deans, vice presidents, provosts, and presidents
- **Application deadline: September 16**

▶ "This seminar has played a transformative role for me... I am more adept at engaging and understanding cultural interactions with my Korean colleagues and students. I also now have the knowledge and enthusiasm to encourage more students to study in South Korea for their semester abroad. This has been the highlight of my career thus far, and I will encourage all of my colleagues in international education to apply for an IEA seminar."

HILARY WILSON

Exchange Coordinator, George Washington University
Fulbright Korea IEA Alum



Stay Connected

There are many ways for alumni of the Fulbright Scholar Program to connect with each other and continue their engagement with the program. We look forward to being in touch and appreciate your support of the program.



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For U.S. and Foreign Scholars:

[Connect with Fulbright](#) Connect with program staff who provide direct application support, in-office hours, and share program opportunities in webinars and U.S. campus presentations throughout the year:

For U.S. Scholars:

[Become a Peer Reviewer](#) The peer review process, a hallmark of the Fulbright Scholar program, ensures that applicants will be evaluated on academic, scholarly and professional criteria. CIES is responsible for coordinating the initial screening of Fulbright Scholar applications, known as peer review, for the Fulbright Scholar Program.

[Apply for the Alumni Ambassador Program](#) The Fulbright U.S. Scholar Alumni Ambassador Program is designed to increase the Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program's visibility nationwide and expand the diversity of future participants.

[Serve as a Fulbright Scholar Liaison](#) Fulbright Scholar Liaisons work in every type of accredited institution of higher education and serve as the main point of contact for the Fulbright Scholar Program with American higher education. Fulbright Scholar Liaisons facilitate increased participation in the Fulbright Scholar Program via institutional level support and peer to peer engagement.



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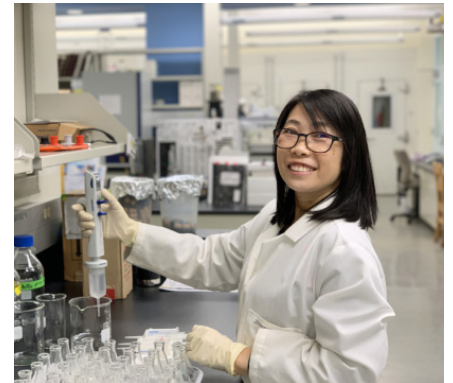
[Join the Fulbrighter platform](#) The Fulbrighter networking platform is the exclusive online community for current Fulbrighters and alumni worldwide.

[Connect with International Exchange Alumni \(U.S. Department of State ECA alumni\)](#) The U.S. Department of State offers Fulbright grantees access to an online network of ECA alumni. [International Exchange Alumni](#) is open to current and previous participants of U.S. government-sponsored exchange programs – including the Fulbright Program.

Find active alumni groups through your local Fulbright Commission or U.S. Embassy To learn more about what Fulbright alumni groups are active in your area, please contact your local [Fulbright Commission](#) or [U.S. Embassy](#).

For U.S. Scholars:

[Join your local chapter of the Fulbright Association](#) For Fulbright alumni in the United States, the Fulbright Association has 54 volunteer-led chapters across the country.



THE FULBRIGHT SOURCE

For U.S. and Foreign Scholars:

[The Fulbright Source](#) is a curated collection of photos, videos, and resources that illustrate the Fulbright Program experience and its legacy over more than 70 years. The resources are used by Fulbright Program partners, the media, and the general public to promote and share information about the Fulbright Program. If you would like to share your Fulbright photos with us, please upload them [here](#).



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